

Lesson 1- ANSWERS

Crossword

- 1) abstract noun
- 2) adjectives
- 3) apostrophe
- 4) paragraphs
- 5) verbs
- 6) fiction
- 7) adverb
- 8) his
- 9) sibilance
- 10) comma
- 11) exam
- 12) simile
- 13) pronoun

Word of the Day: cower

Word Class: verb

Definition: to shrink in fear

Synonyms: shrink, crouch, flinch, huddle

Antonyms: grow, flourish, thrive

Prefixes: -

Suffixes: -ed, -s, -ing

Noun vs Verb

crush- noun

bottle- verb

paint- noun

watch- noun

block- verb

arm- verb

level- verb

dip- verb

frown- noun

cover- noun

clap- noun

Suggested sentences:

spoon (verb): I am spooning strawberry jam onto my morning toast.

fire (verb): Firing up the barbecue can often be a long process.

picture (verb): I can picture a long, sunny holiday in my near future.

might (noun): Rayaan pulled himself over the wall with all his might.

The Dark is Rising- Information Retrieval and Vocabulary

- **What time of day is it in the text?** evening
- **What word in the second paragraph suggests the figure was someone the boys knew to avoid?** 'instinctively'
- **Who screamed in terror?** the man/figure
- **List three verbs from the text which describe how the verbs move.**
thronging, flapping, turning, swooped, whirling, diving
- **'Shambling' and 'tattered': what words classes are these words?**
adjectives
- **Why was the man half- hopping as he ran?** His shoe had a loose sole.
- **List three details about the stranger.** greasy hair, old boots, gasped for breath, torn overcoat, grey hair, bushy hair
- **'Dreadful blur of unreality' –** Like it was all a dream/surreal experience/
couldn't quite believe it was happening

Scintillating Synonyms

swooping/flapping

Definitions: 'swooping' - descend quickly; suddenly attack

'flapping' – beating; fluttering in an agitated or panicked way

'Swooping' suggests grace, purpose and control whereas 'flapping' suggests loss of control or chaotic movement

stumbled/ struggled

Definitions: 'stumbled'- lurched forward; almost falling

'struggled' – tried hard with difficulties

'Stumbled' suggests having had a lack of power or control whereas

'struggled' suggests having persevered to complete or achieve something